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IN REPLY REFER TO:

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Ser BD042/047  
ONR FOIA 16-045  
April 5, 2016

Mr. Steven B. Krivit  
369-B Third Street  
Suite 556  
San Rafael, CA 94901

Dear Mr. Krivit:

This is the final response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request received by the Office of Naval Research (ONR) on March 9, 2016 and given the number 16-045 in our system. You requested a copy of any documentation or documents from the Navy Program to Understand Anomalous Effects in Electrochemically Loaded Materials from 1992 – 1995. For your reference, I have attached a copy of your request.

Your request is granted in part at no cost to you. We have located 2 pages that are responsive to your request. After a thorough review, we have determined that portions of the documents are exempt from disclosure under Exemption 6 of the FOIA of 1974, 5 U.S.C. §552, as amended. Enclosed are the releasable portions of the responsive records.

Exemption 6, found at 5 U.S.C. § 552 (b) (6), protects information about individuals in "personnel and medical files and similar files" when the disclosure of such information "would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy." Per our review standards, we are withholding signatures under Exemption 6.

Since you have received a partial denial for requested records, you may appeal this determination to:

Office of the General Counsel  
Department of the Navy  
ATTN: FOIA/PA Appeals Office  
1000 Navy Pentagon, Room 5A532  
Washington, D.C. 20350-1000

Please include a copy of your original request, a copy of this letter, your supporting rationale on why the appeal should be granted, and any other information you would like considered in adjudicating your appeal. The appeal must be postmarked no later than sixty (60) calendar days from the date on this letter.

No fees have been assessed for the processing your request. If you have questions about this letter, please feel free to contact Ms. April Harrid at (703) 696-4309 or [ONRFOIA@navy.mil](mailto:ONRFOIA@navy.mil). Please reference ONR FOIA 16-045 when communicating with us about this case.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. A. Gearhart', with a stylized, cursive script.

J. A. GEARHART  
Captain, U.S. Navy  
Assistant Chief of Naval Research

Attachments:  
As stated

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**From:** Steven Krivit (b) (6) >  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 09, 2016 12:35  
**To:** ONRFOIA  
**Subject:** [Non-DoD Source] Freedom of Information Act Request

Pursuant to the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act, I request a copy of any documentation or documents associated with the following program during the time frame 1992-1995:

The program was entitled "Navy Program to Understand Anomalous Effects in Electrochemically Loaded Materials." It was also identified as "Anomalous Effects in Deuterated Systems."

The following individuals participated in the program:

Fred Saalfeld - ONR  
Robert (Bob) Nowak - ONR  
Debra Rolison - NRL  
Dawn Dominguez - NRL  
David Nagel - NRL

I am requesting delivery in electronic rather than paper format. I am willing to pay fees up to \$25, however, as a member of the media, I am requesting a waiver.

Steven B. Krivit  
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5 April 1993

MEMORANDUM

From: ONR Code 1900  
To: ONR Code 01124

Subj: REPROGRAMMING OF FUNDS

1. Please transfer \$255K from my FY-93 OTD Research Projects line (W1AE 3103 OTD C3E) to Code 11's Electrochemical Power Source line (W1AE 1306 OSP 414; FRC: 413Z). Funds are to be utilized for the Deuterated Materials Special Research Program and managed by Dr. Robert J. Nowak.
2. Any questions should be directed to Heidi Bopp on extension 64484.

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E. A. SILVA

Copy to:  
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ONR Code 1113ES  
ONR Code 01122 (Nancy Rogers)

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IN REPLY REFER TO

Ser 1001/3045  
26 April 1993

Dr. Melvin H. Miles  
Naval Air Warfare Center  
Weapons Division  
China Lake, CA 93555-6001

Dear Dr. Miles:

Thank you for your letter of April 12, the material on your work with deuterium electrolysis, and your good wishes for my recovery. I am indeed recovering well, and look forward to returning to work shortly.

I'm confused by your statement that Bruce Robinson, Gene Silva and Bob Nowak decided to fund only the NRL work next year. My understanding is that decision applied to ONR's corporate program in anomalous effects of deuterium electrolysis. I agreed and still agree with the decision. You are continuing to get some money from Bob Nowak's program. With its limited budget, ONR cannot support all the science we'd like to, at the level we'd like to, or even good projects indefinitely. Please let me know if my understanding is incorrect. Also, do not hesitate to talk to Bob Nowak when you have any ideas for new proposals in problems of interest to the Navy.

Best of luck with your experiments, and thank you again for sharing your concern and ideas with me.

Sincerely,

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F. E. SAALFELD  
Deputy Chief of Naval Research  
and Technical Director,  
Office of Naval Research

Copy to Bob Nowak